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
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Church Records

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WESLEY CHAPEL--IN GLADE HILL COMMUNITY

The first church services in this community were held in the old Glade Hill school house. This class was organized by Harvey Curry, William Cooper and James F. Patterson and was an appointment on the Greenbank circuit as early as 1872. There are no older records to tell how long before. The oldest class book available give the Glade Hill class as follows:

Date admitted-----NAME-----

1872

J. Harvey Curry, Margaret Maupin,
 James F. Patterson, Joseph Cooper,
 Rachel Patterson, Mary E. Cooper,
 Margaret Hudson, Elizabeth Nottingham,
 Rachel Nottingham, Caroline Nottingham,
 Virginia Galford, Sarah Arbogast,
 Naomi Galford
 Elizabeth Galford
 Andrew Kerr
 Elisa V. Kerr
 Hennie Kerr
 Caroline Kerr
 Malinda Cooper
 Harriet Gump

1873

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1876

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Elizabeth Mays, Senhel Phillips,
 Mary Phillips, George Kerr,
 Perry Mays, Harvey Nottingham,
 Dollie Bell Gump, Margaret Nottingham,
 Alice L. Okers, James Curry, Jr.

date admitted	name
1876	Chermon Sutton, Samuel Kerr,
"	William A. Wooddell, John W. Sheets,
"	Mary E. Nottingham, Alice Maupin,
"	Julia Nottingham, Benj. A. Doyle,
"	George Cooper, William Taylor,
"	Rhoda Mays, Georgia Goss, XXXXXXXXXX
"	Elizabeth Taylor, Thomas Maupin,
"	John L. Hudson, Maggie V. Hudson,
"	Mary Hall, Mennie Taylor,
"	Peter Carpenter, Sallie Carpenter,
"	Sallie Patterson, Arabelle Nottingham
"	Louise Cooper, Ella Kerr,
"	George McLaughlin, Addison Nottingham,
"	Virgie Nottingham, Jennie McLaughlin,
"	Margaret Tracy, C. M. Sutton

J. Harvey Curry was class leader of this Glade Hill class, and James F. Patterson was the first superintendent.

After the Dunmore church was built many of these members who lived nearer Dunmore were transferred to that church, and church services were held in the old Oak Grove school house which was nearer to the members that were left. It served as a community center until the Wesley Chapel Church was built. Preaching Sunday School and singing was conducted under the auspices of the M. A. Church, South.

On February 17, 1894 a meeting was held at the Oak Grove school house for the purpose of appointing a building committee to go ahead with plans for the building of a church. The members appointed were Warwick S. Hudson, Pres., Asbury Sheets, Treas.,

James S. Patterson, Sec. and W. W. Galford and Harry L. Taylor.
On March 16, 1895 this committee met for the purpose of selecting
a name for the church. James S. Patterson suggested that they call
it Wesley Chapel in memory of John Wesley, so the name was chosen.

The church was built by John Noel, a son by the name of Wade
and the seats were made by James S. Patterson.

It was dedicated in September 1897 by Rev. V. Wheeler. His
text was taken from John 13:1 "Having loved his own which were
in the world, he loved them unto the end." Rev. J. D. Martin
was Presiding Elder and Rev. J. M. Davy preacher in charge.

At the present there are 180 members in this church, but
like most churches only a few working members.

The present trustees are J. A. Sheets, S. A. Hudson, and S. H.
Elliot.

The Stewards are S. H. Elliot, Everett A. Sheets, S. A. Hudson
and John Matheny.

S. H. Elliot is the Sunday school Supt. also one of the teachers.
Other teachers and workers are J. A. Sheets, Mrs. J. A. Sheets,
and Mrs. Ray former.

The Womens Society Christian Service is united with that of the
Greenbank church with Mrs. Quade M. Arbogast as Pres. Mrs. Arbogast
is the ministers wife.

There are only two of the old original members now still living.

Others who belonged to the Wesley Chapel in the beginning are:
Mary Galford, Virgie Cackley, Lillie J. Oliver, Jennie McLaugh-
lin, Margaret Tracy, Elizabeth Galford, Gatewood Sutton,
John A. Galford, Victoria Taylor, Lillie J. Alderson, Mary
Hudson, Julia Leckridge, Annie Warr, Ada Galford, Henrietta
Nottingham, J. A. Patterson, S. W. Hoover, Lucy Hoover,
William J. Moore, Juanita Moore, Malinda May, Florence Tracy,

Sarah Sharp, Charles Guss, Virginia Taylor, Henry Taylor,
 George W. Taylor, W. M. Hoover, James Taylor, Bertie
 Arbogast, Cecelia Kellison, W. W. Galford, Morgan Garry,
 Alice Kelley, Adam Wooddell, J. Asbury Sheets, Jane A. Sheets,
 Minnie Garry, Frank Garry, Mattie Hudson, Ethel Hudson,
 Leola L. Patterson, Mattie Cooper, Snowden Cooper, Walter
 Cooper, Vivian Cooper, Minnie Sheets, Nancy Galford,
 Henry Sheets, Henry Arbogast, and Charles Hoover.

The deed for the land was given by April 19, 1894 by
 Henry L. Taylor and Early V. Taylor, his wife, to J. Asbury
 Sheets, James F. Patterson, Henry L. Taylor, W. W. Galford
 and W. B. Hudson trustees, one acre of land upon which there
 shall be erected a place of worship for the ministers and mem-
 bers of the M. A. Church, South. Remainder of lot to be used
 as a cemetery as a burial ground for the use of the members
 neighborhood worshipping at said church, subject to the control
 and such rules and regulations in the relation to the burial
 of the dead as may be adopted by a majority of the aforesaid
 trustees.

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Mrs. Bess Taylor
 Mr. and Mrs. Asbury Sheets
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